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ACTION PM-03

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FM AMEMBASSY AMMAN

TO AMEMBASSY KARACHI

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 5036

AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMCONSUL JERUSALEM

AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MASS, JO

SUBJECT: TRAVEL DOUGLAS R. KEENE

REF: STATE 157326

1. POST WELCOMES VISIT FSO KEENE BUT WISHES TO POINT OUT
1) THAT HE IS NOT ALLOTING ENOUGH TIME FOR CONSULTATIONS,
AND 2) THAT EMBASSY AMMAN TAKES THURSDAY-FRIDAY MUSLIM
WEEKEND. DATES FOR AMMAN CONSULTATIONS SUGGESTED REFTEL
(AUG. 21-22) WOULD THEREFORE NECESSITATE ABBREVIATED,
INFORMAL BRIEFINGS, PARTICULARLY SINCE SAUDI AIRWAYS JIDDA-
AMMAN FLIGHT AUGUST 21 DOES NOT ARRIVE UNTIL 1215. KEENE
WOULD FIND DISCUSSIONS MORE PROFITABLE IF HE COULD ADVANCE
ARRIVAL IN AMMAN TO AUGUST 20, TRAVELLING ON ROYAL JORDANIAN
AIRWAYS JIDDA-AMMAN FLIGHT 701, WHICH ARRIVES 0910. (WE HOPE HE
COULD ADJUST SCHEDULE TO ALLOW SUFFICIENT TIME IN JIDDA ALSO.)
SUGGEST KEENE CROSS BRIDGE AS SCHEDULED REFTEL ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 22.

2. REGARDLESS OF DATE CHOSEN , PST NEEDS NUMBERS AND
DATES AND PLACES OF ISSUE OF BOTH "ARAB" AND "ISRAELI"
PASSPORTS FOR ALL MEMBERS OF PARTY IN ORDER TO ARRANGE
BRIDGE CROSSING TO WEST BANK. IN CONSIDERING TRAVEL
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PLANS, PLEASE NOTE THAT BRIDGE CLOSES 1300 SIX DAYS A

WEEK AND IS CLOSED ALL DAY SATURDAYS.

3. NO PROBLEM FAMILY ACCOMPANYING. WILL RESERVE TWO
DOUBLE ROOMS IN MODERATELY PRICED HOTEL WHEN FIRM ARRIVAL
DATE RECEIVED. CONTROL OFFICER IS FSO DAVID WINN.
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